



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventor: Taiichi MORI et al. Group Art Unit: 2873  
Appln. No.: 09/978,596 Examiner: A. Harrington  
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For: OPTICAL PICKUP APPARATUS RESTRICTING ABERRATION  
AND OPTICAL DISC APPARATUS USING THE SAME

REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION OF OFFICE ACTION AND  
RESETTING OF RESPONSE PERIOD

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

The Office Action of July 1, 2003 at page 2, et seq. refers to Japanese Patent Application Number "JP 10253506". There is no document of record with this Japanese Patent Application Number. Written clarification is respectfully requested, along with resetting of the response period.

Respectfully submitted,

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